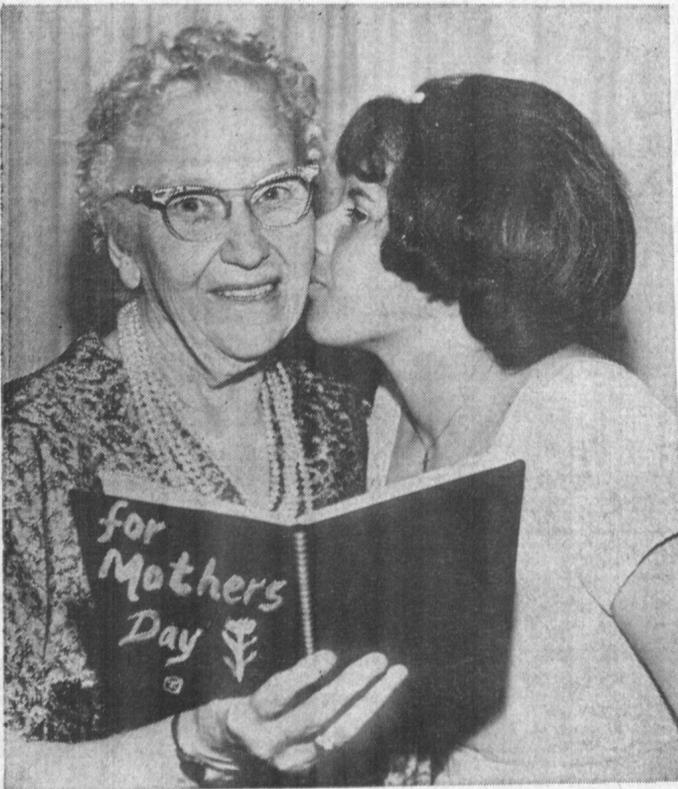


Ma, They're Making Eyes at You—Today!



LONGTIME RESIDENT of Torrance and one of the spriest of the 80-year-old mothers around is Mrs. Irene Mathwig, of 4804 Laurette, shown here getting Mother's Day kiss from granddaughter Peggy Mathwig, 14, of

Sepulveda School. Mrs. Mathwig, mother of 3 and grandmother of 5, was honored last year for 40 years of PTA service, is still on PTA board.

—PRESS photo



NEWEST MOTHER of year in Torrance—but not a new mother—looks at her two-day-old daughter—her eighth child—in Harbor General Hospital. Mrs. Charles Fisher, 28, of 22925 Berendo Ave., proudly holds her Mother's Day gift, Mary Alice, 5 lbs. 14 oz. Father is a cabinetmaker.

—PRESS photo by Gordon Akers



PALSY DRIVE—Mrs. James R. Cantrell, (left) 3130 W. 18th St., Torrance residential chairman for United Cerebral Palsy Association's current appeal, chats with Sean Conlon, 7 years, "graduate" of a UCPA preschool nursery, and film and TV star Stephanie Powers at the recent Statler-Hilton luncheon, marking the start of \$350,000 annual campaign. Mrs. Cantrell is in charge of the residential "53 Minute March," so named because every 53 minutes a child is born with cerebral palsy. Drive takes place Tuesday, May 21.

Pastor Hits U.S. Council Of Churches

According to the Rev. Robert Dehn, the First Baptist Church, 2118 Carson St., Torrance, has publicly disassociated itself from the National Council of Churches of Christ of America in any political, economic, or secular action which the National Council may take, and must not be considered as one of the supporting churches in any future action in these areas.

The resolution was adopted at a recent called business meeting after the proposed resolution had been under careful and prayerful consideration and study since Dec. 19, 1962, Rev. Dehn reported.

Other excerpts from the resolution, endorsed by Rev. Dehn and the entire board of deacons as contained in the church bulletin of April 28 follow:

"The First Baptist Church of Torrance has never voted to become a part of the National Council of Churches of Christ in America, nor have we ever, knowingly, given financial support to the organization.

"However, because of our affiliation with the American Baptist Convention, we find ourselves indirectly an affiliate of the National Council of Churches. Because we have found it difficult to disassociate ourselves from certain actions and decisions of the council contrary to the purpose of our church, we hereby present to the general board of the National Council of Churches the following statements and action which we believe to be constructive, and a move in the direction of the intended purpose of the National Council of Churches to 'manifest Jesus Christ as Divine Saviour and Lord.'

Because of the controversial nature of many of the decisions, actions, and statements of the National Council of Churches, the board recommended that the press and public release of the National Council specifically reveal the source or sources of all actions, decisions, or statements to the effect that they will not reflect the so called 'image of unity' of 40,000,000 Protestants when the image of unity has not been either determined or proved."

Former pastor of the local church, the Rev. C. Miles Northrup, who served at the First Baptist Church for 23 years had this comment on the action taken by his former pastor—"Praise the Lord, the First Baptist Church of Torrance is still alive."

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Obscene Book Sale Case Is Dismissed

Jury Hung; Judge Frees Store Owner

BY BOB LUPO

Mrs. Selma Isaacs, Torrance liquor store operator, was free today on charges of selling obscene literature, when a jury in South Bay Municipal Court was unable to reach a verdict after more than 12 hours of deliberation ending late Friday night.

Mrs. Isaacs was arrested Jan. 22 in her store at 17310 Crenshaw Blvd. by Torrance police officer Clifford Smith on charges that she had sold him eight obscene magazines.

She was tried specifically on the charge that she knowingly sold Smith nudist magazines.

The case drew packed courtrooms for three days as the trial was conducted before Judge William B. Keene. Torrance city prosecutor C. E. (Monte) Catterlin introduced numerous witnesses, among them Dr. J. H. Hull, Torrance Unified School District superintendent; the Rev. Gilbert Zimmerman of First Methodist Church, and Joseph Wilcox, YMCA executive secretary, to support his contention that the magazines were beneath community standards.

Hull described the magazines as "outside" rather than beneath community standards.

Zimmerman said the magazines would arouse "unhealthy desires." Wilcox said they would arouse "morbid interest" in nudity.

Defense attorney Dean Picl introduced witnesses who testified to the merits of nudism as they saw it. Picl made the point that Mrs. Isaacs' guilt or innocence rested on three points: 1—did she sell the magazines? 2—did she know what their contents were? 3—were the magazines "contemporary community standards" and "utterly without social worth or redeeming values?"

Judge Keene, in his charge to the jury, said that community standards would have to apply to the entire Los Angeles metropolitan complex rather than just to the city of Torrance. He noted that even though the trial was conducted in Torrance, the entire jury was drawn from the entire South Bay Judicial district.

The judge discharged the jury at 9 p.m. Friday night and dismissed the case against Mrs. Isaacs.

He noted that if the jury failed to agree in the amount of time it had to consider the case, he felt that no jury would be able to resolve the issues.

There was no indication how the jury was divided or on which of the three major points it was hung.

One of the key points in Mrs. Isaacs' defense was that she had only purchased the store, together with her husband, from the previous owner. (Continued on Page B2)

HEY, COME BACK HERE WITH MY TRUCK—AND SUE GETS HER MAN!

It was about 3:25 in the morning, and Sue Okada of 18715 S. Western Ave. was stirring in her sleep.

It sounded as though someone was tampering with her pickup truck parked outside. She got up, looked out the window, and saw her truck disappearing.

She jumped in her car, and followed the truck down Western, honking her horn at her fleeing truck. She passed Torrance police officers Wangaman and Davis, told them what was happening. The officers nabbed the driver, whom they identified as Eddie Michael Campbell, 20. Campbell said he had run out of gas, had knocked on the Okada door, and received permission to use the truck to go get gas. Miss Okada denied this.

Police booked Campbell on a charge of car theft. He had two wallets in his possession when searched, officers said, and had left a car in front of the Okada residence which belonged to another woman. That car he apparently had permission to drive, police said. It was out of gas, just as Campbell had said. The rest of his story he'll have to tell to the judge.

TORRANCE YWCA RECEIVES \$12,576 CHEST ALLOCATION

The YWCA of Torrance has received an allotment of \$12,576 from the Los Angeles Community Chest.

Announcement of the 1963-64 Chest-United Way allocations to Harbor area agencies was made by Fred W. Mill, board chairman for the Chest in the Harbor.

In reporting allocations Mill said: "It's gratifying to know that money raised in this area returns to Harbor communities in the form of services."

There are more than 17 Chest-supported health, welfare and youth agencies serving the Harbor area. Many of these are located in San Pedro.

A major allotment of \$60,264 went to the Harbor area YWCA, which has offices in San Pedro and Wilmington.

The Boys' Club of San Pedro was allotted \$30,606; Homer Toberman Settlement House, \$31,968; Beacon Light Mission, \$16,152; Seamen's Church Institute of Los Angeles, \$9,582; St. Vincent de Paul Society—Catholic Maritime Clubs, \$20,892.

Boy Cyclist, 12, Struck by Truck, Is Hospitalized

Stephen Everett Ray, 12, of 1202 Desford St., Torrance, a student at Halldale School, was in serious but improving condition today at Little Company of Mary Hospital after he was struck by a truck while riding his bicycle.

Stephen was hit at 6:46 p.m. Thursday by a pickup truck driven by Edward Francis Griffin, 59, of Long Beach, a guard at a local plant.

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GLASS AND CHINA are featured items at one of the Torrance-Lomita area's most interesting sites. Shown here is a Meissen compote made in about 1750. Decorations are all in relief and in complete detail down to the pods in the centers of the small flowers. To find out where this and thousands of other curious items are on display turn to today's picture page on A-8.



THREE-CUSHION "SHOT" in freak traffic accident in Torrance ended up this way for a parked car belonging to L. A. Griffin of 17004 Crenshaw Blvd., Torrance. A car driven by David Sanchez, 26, of Long Beach, struck

two parked cars early Friday in front of 17009 Crenshaw, police said. The parked cars overturned, and Griffin's car, shown here about to be towed away, sustained major damage.

—PRESS photo by Bill Schell Jr.